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In re application of:

Yukihiro WATANABE et al.

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please substitute the enclosed Substitute abstract for the Originally filed Abstract.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Enclosed herein is a Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections, along with amended drawing Figures 1, 4A, 4B, 5A, and 5B.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Please amend the second full paragraph on page 2 as follows:

A conventional tripod constant velocity universal joint, as shown in the Fig. 4A, comprises an outer joint member 10' having three axial track grooves 12' in the inner periphery thereof and formed with roller guide surfaces 14' in the opposed side walls of each track groove 12', a tripod member 20' having a